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Mr. Robert Amory
Deputy Director
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Dear Bob:

Karl Schriftgiesser sent you your manuscript yesterday, but I have taken the liberty of doing some further editing that I thought might be helpful to you. My suggestions are noted in the copy attached.

Generally, I thought you would rather not tie your comments so directly to your agency as in the manuscript but would want to make them of a more personal nature; hence the suggestion on page one, the substitution of "I" for "we" throughout, etc.

The only other major suggestion is at the bottom of page 5. Here, it seemed to me, the emphasis came down so hard on the likelihood of a massive Soviet aid program to the underdeveloped countries that there was a risk of this being picked up and used by our enemies in those areas. By my suggestion I have tried to cast this important point as one of the choices which should really arouse us to action.

The few other suggestions are merely for editorial clarity.

I hope you will forgive me for reaching back into my old government press agency and speech-writing and making these suggestions. But we are very anxious to have your contribution appear in the Saturday Review, so I want to avoid trying to stretch the art of the possible too far and to give you a text which you can live with happily ever after!

Yours,

Porter McKeever
Director of Information